

## Karate Club Grows In Popularity

by Christopher Mari

Looking for a club that is right for you? Try the karate club; it's fun and it's a challenge. More than that, it teaches self-defense. (Hear that? Self-defense. You don't chop up freshmen with it!) It's loads of fun and also gives you a rundown on the ancient technique of the Orient, an honored skill there, a respected skill. So respect it and your body, and the rest is easy.

Now that I've got you interested, you want the rundown, right? Okay, here's the deal.

They meet every Wednesday (at 1:30), and Saturday (at 11:00). On Wednesday, it lasts from 1:30 to 3:00 and on Saturday it goes on until 12:30. The fee is \$20 a month, which is pretty cheap, considering schools can charge triple that. The moderator is Mr. Piselli of the math department, and the instructors are Nelson Howe and Linda Lutes, who are 4th-degree blackbelts. You need more info? Talk to Mr. Piselli, he'll lend an ear; or come and watch one of the sessions.

Okay, now are you going to join? Good! As for the few too lazy to join, let me say this: go and look. It could teach you enough discipline to get off your duff and stop eating potato chips in front of the boob tube.

Now, you with me?

## Jennifer Santos Summers In Russia

by John C. Ryan

You get off the plane and cautiously look around, not quite sure of what you'll see. You've heard so much about this foreign land, and millions of visions are running through your head. Scanning the area, you see cameras hidden behind signs and mysterious looking gentlemen wearing long overcoats. Suddenly, a stern looking soldier, strapped with a semi-automatic machine gun, confronts you. Before you know it, three other men are behind you, "helping" you off with your coat and helping themselves to sort through your luggage. After confiscating your camera, film, walkman and tapes, they present you with a slip, turn and disappear into a black car.

If the average American were asked, "Where is the person described in the preceding paragraphs?" I'd give good odds that most people would say, "Oh, that's easy... Russia."

Most of us who have these stereotypes of the U.S.S.R. have never been there and have never talked to any one who lives there. I may never have been to the U.S.S.R., but a lot of questions I did have about the country were answered when I had the pleasure of talking with Jennifer Santos who visited the re-

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## Falcons Win Miss Polonia Contest



Pictured above is Ford's own Margaret Matecka of homeroom 308, who was chosen Miss Polonia 1987 of Greenpoint and represented that section of Brooklyn in the Pulaski Day Parade held on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan on October 4. Katarzyna Drazek of homeroom 304 was the first runner-up in the group of eight contestants.

public for three weeks this past summer.

As you may remember, some of the chancebook money that was raised last year was used to help finance this once-in-a-lifetime, exchange-student trip.

When I inquired how her trip had been, Jennifer smiled and replied simply, "Great!" Her entire group was composed of twenty-four students from New York, fifteen students from Hawaii, and three chaperones.

Jennifer couldn't stop raving about this beautiful land, and the architecture, she said, was equally beautiful and had to be seen to be believed. She enthusiastically spoke of the beautiful churches, which included Saint Basil's, Saint Isaac's (Russian Orthodox), and the beautiful cathedral of St. Elijah.

She visited many cities and met people of all ages. She described the younger children as the most outgoing and friendly. People of our own age, teens and high school students, were usually quiet and reserved. People between the ages of 20-30 were more sociable and could be found in the night clubs (yes, night clubs!). The older crowd, we

might say the "senior citizens," are very traditional and do not take to Americans as do the other groups of people. Jennifer spoke of one instance in which a lady in the street started yelling at one of the exchange students because he was wearing shorts.

There is much corruption in Russia, Jennifer told me, as far as public servants go. People, such as maids and taxi drivers, have to be bribed with money, jewelry or even little things such as makeup in order for them to do their jobs to your satisfaction.

I asked Jennifer for two things before we ended the interview. First, I asked her to describe Russia in one sentence. She replied, "An old world country; a federal country with the bomb." Secondly, I asked her to tell me how she would describe Russia to her classmates and friends who have never been there. She said, "It was a very beautiful country. I would go back in a minute, if given the chance." And finally, after a minute of thought, she sighed, "You must have to be there really to understand it."

## Peer Groups Reinstated

by Courtney Nash

This year the guidance department is renewing its peer group program for freshman to help make their adjustment to high school a smooth one.

There are one or two selected seniors to a group of about ten or fewer freshmen. The role the seniors play is not to give direct advice, but to be listeners, and to encourage the freshmen to get to know themselves and make their own decisions.

The program was stopped a few years back, although it was successful, because of senior/fresh scheduling conflicts. This year, though, Brother Damian and Miss Raffaniello decided to try it once again, and with the help of Sr. Anne, Mr. Slow, Miss Leggio, Sister Coleen, and Mr. McAtee, their efforts got underway last June.

During the week before school ended, a group of soon-to-be seniors was selected, based on, Sr. Colleen said,

The Induction Ceremony for the National Honor Society and the National Business Honor Society will take place at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 7.

## Choral Music Classes Initiated At Ford

by Dayann Molina

with the theory, history, playing, and recording of music. It also introduces students to many different types of music: rock, pop, standard liturgical music, and contemporary Christian music (which includes groups like **Stryper**, **Petra**, and **U2**), as well as some songs composed by Mr. Provenza himself.

Choral music isn't like other art classes open to juniors, because it not only teaches you how to understand and appreciate a form of art, it also encourages the students to use what they've learned by performing at school functions and outside school. The Choral Music class will be showing off its musical talent by performing at school masses, awards ceremonies, and possibly even the Dance-A-Thon. It has also been asked to perform at a local grammar school and will be visiting a recording studio during a class trip later this year.

So far, there are a lot of optimistic opinions about Choral Music's future. "I'm hoping that the class is a big success. It seems to have started off well, and the students seem to be enjoying themselves so far," remarked Mr. Provenza, "But there is still a lot of work ahead."

Registration for Ford's annual M.D.A. DANCE-A-THON will begin on November 2. The fee is \$5.00.

## New Dress Code Inforced; Walkmans Still Prohibited

by Carolyne Rodriguez

The majority of the people I interviewed felt the new student dress code is in fact an improvement in the school, but, at the same time, they felt sweatshirts should be allowed only for winter, since they afford more protection from the cold. The v-neck sweaters and cardigans are all right, but most of us students feel that sweatshirts should be allowed for the cold winter days.

The majority of the freshman and sophomores I interviewed stated that the winter gym uniforms could be improved by a sweater with FORD written on it and Falcons' sweat pants. The seniors I interviewed really didn't care that much, but they felt the code is orderly and it helps the reputation of the school. They also felt that seniors shouldn't have a dress code. Juniors weren't so bad, but they did say that a new gym uniform would be great, and that sweatshirts are better.

So, the majority of the students did like the dress code, with the exception of the school sweater and, more or less, the gym uniform.

The faculty loved the idea and hated everything else. But the bottom line is: the uniforms are great, sweatshirts should be allowed for the winter, and when spring comes, v-necks can come back in. The sweatshirts would be the same color as the skirt. Denim jackets should be permitted if a student is in the school yard, and new winter gym uniforms should be a possibility.

Another very important issue is walkmans. Every single student I questioned said that they should be allowed in the building and in the cafeteria, but, of course, not in the classroom. Everyone had the same opinion that walkmans are of no harm if they're used before classes start, during free periods and after school.

Some students even felt that if a teacher were to catch a student with a walkman in class, it should be confiscated and a certain fine paid in order to get it back. Or the dean could call up the parents and they would come to pick up the walkman.

As you can see, these are reasonable enough rules. I just hope they get through to those certain somebodys sitting in the dean's office!

## Don't Follow Others Just To Be Cool

by Christopher Mari

Pressure is something no one likes. At this time of our lives, pressure may hit hardest. It tears and burns our souls until maybe we give in. But we can't. Pressure from our friends, peer pressure, is the worst kind.

Do you think that no one can control you and that you're a rebel? You're wrong. If you do what your friends say without question, then you're no more than a puppet on a string, you're a copy-cat.

Morals. Have you ever heard of them? They're the things real men are made of. A big man is a man who doesn't go along with the crowd. He's a leader, not a follower. Real men believe that if they think something is wrong, they won't do it. They follow instinct.

I'm a rebel, in a different way. This rebel rebels against people who follow others just to be cool. Your friends aren't so cool if they drink to excess or do drugs. Guys who use girls are slime, and you are, too, if you do. Girls are supposed to be respected. You are supposed to be respected. You've got a mind. Use it. And see if your buddies are really that cool after all.

## Letters To The Editor...

### Victims Of AIDS Need Support

Fellow Students,

If you think you couldn't catch AIDS, you are w-r-o-n-g. Because AIDS is not only a gay disease or a drug addict's disease, it is everyone's disease. For instance, if you found out your best friend had AIDS, what would your attitude be? Would you let ignorance or just plain fear get the better of you? Would you put your worries and pride aside and give the support needed?

Many of us don't like to think about this issue. Rather, the philosophy is, "It won't happen to me," or "I have nothing to worry about!" Well, the fact of the matter is that AIDS is rapidly spreading, and with it the fear of AIDS grows more intense. We are all affected! Our future is at stake! We may not be sure what the future holds. But we must not let the disease decide it for us.

In the end we all need to be strong. Then, and only then, can we overcome our weaknesses!

Yamilee Germain

## Hat And Tie Day

### To Be Observed

November 18

by Joyce Chin

Bishop Ford's 8th Annual Hat and Tie Day will be held this coming November 18th.

It is a day on which the seniors (sorry, no underclassmen) can hang loose and show off their wild and creative side.

Join in the fun, because at the end of the day, Dr. DeFina, who is running this activity, along with a few other teachers, will decide who has the best hat and tie. That person will be announced on the p.a. and will win a prize.

So, start thinking of some great ideas for Hat and Tie Day, because November 18th is not far away!

## Halloween Party Planned

by Jennifer Garceau

This year, the Graduating Class of 1988 has numerous activities to attend. To start the ball rolling, on Friday, October 30, there will be our Ninth Annual Senior Halloween Party. This event will be held in the school cafeteria, and, as always, there will be a costume contest. Prizes will be awarded for Best Male, Best Female, and Best Couple/Group. There will also be a dance contest, so, of course, there will be a DJ. Traditionally, the school cafeteria is decorated with orange and black streamers and balloons. Last, but not least, there will be refreshments.

It is hoped that the seniors will take advantage of this and the other wonderful activities that Dr. DeFina has worked so hard to organize.

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## Letters To The Editor...

### Fond Memories And Prayers

It was a hot summer night, a Friday to be exact, in the month of August, when a red 1986 Buick Le Sabre spun out and slammed into the back of a parked flatbed truck on Court Street off Bay Street in the Red Hook section of South Brooklyn.

Three were killed in the accident and five others injured. Tests were taken by medical examiners which indicated that no one was intoxicated when the accident occurred.

The accident was pure terror for the closely bonded community of Carroll Gardens, and the three deaths shook many, since the victims were clean-cut kids of the community.

The funerals for the three were held at different funeral homes, but each one was packed with people, mostly teenage friends saying their last good-byes.

Many have asked what happened. No one knows for sure. Now all we can do is pray, pray for Vincent Porcelli who was going to college this fall and who was an auxiliary police officer, pray for Michael Hogan who was known for his excellent athletic ability, and pray for Patrick Mazzie who was considered by many the all-out friend who always kept the group going by telling jokes and putting smiles on sad faces.

Also remember to pray for the families and the injured.

This article is dedicated to:

Michael Hogan, Patrick Mazzie and Vincent Porcelli. Especially to Vincent: You will be missed.

Your buddy,  
SKI

## Students React To New Dress Regulations

by Shirley Collado

One of the biggest changes at Ford this year is the uniforms and the restricted dress code for the seniors. It is obvious that these new dress regulations have brought about a lot of controversy here at Ford. Another big issue is why the seniors were given a restricted dress code and not a uniform policy. The result is that some people agree and some people disagree with these new regulations.

In order to get to the bottom of what the students really think, they were asked one question. Here is what some students at Ford had to say when asked, "As a member of the student body here at Ford, what do you think of having to wear a uniform freshmen through junior year, and not having to wear one senior year?"

"It looks ridiculous because there are so many different uniforms!"

Pedro Suriel—Senior.

"I think all students at Ford should get the same uniform!"

Richard Garcia—Sophomore.

"I think that all students should wear their regular clothes because we look boring."

Edward Moise—Junior.

"I think wearing uniforms is boring. Everyone has a style of his own and should be able to show it!"

Tricia Burgas—Sophomore.

"I think it's good because you don't have to bother with finding something to wear every morning."

Ailsa Williams—Freshman.

"I think we should be able to coordinate our blouses or shirts as we wish."

Laurie Coleman—Sophomore.

"You should be able to wear what you want!"

Chris Ryan—Freshman.

"It takes away the individuality of a student."

Mark Clancy—Junior.

"I like it because it makes students get out of that casual style and get used to presenting themselves as young adults."

Roseann Garcia—Senior.

"I think the idea of having a uniform in a co-ed high school is childish!"

Peter Gonzalez—Junior.

Many students were curious to know why and how Brother Michel arrived at his final decision. When asked, Brother Michel stated his reasons for his decision.

(1) Our dress code was not being enforced.

(2) Ford's image was dropping.

(3) The cost of a wardrobe is too high—it was unfair to students.

Next, the question was asked how he went about choosing styles, colors, etc. He answered, "I tried my best to pick what was farthest from looking like a uniform. I am no expert on feminine fashions; any questions, ask Sr. Mary! Mr. Fernandez took care of choosing the boys' uniforms."

Last, but not least, when Brother Michel was asked what he thought about the result of his decision, he said, "A lot of people have called me up just to tell me how good the kids look! I was surprised to hear some students were happy and found it easier!"

After hearing all these answers, it is extremely obvious how differently everyone feels about this matter. Differences are one of the things that make Ford so unique.



## New Phys. Ed. Instructor Learning The Ropes

by Dayann Molina

Miss Galizia is the new phys. ed. teacher of most of Bishop Ford's junior girls. She is working as a substitute for Mrs. Lesser (a.k.a. Miss Moffatt), who has taken a one-year maternity leave.

Miss Galizia is originally from Elmhurst, Queens, and graduated from St. Francis College in Brooklyn last February. Before coming to Ford, Miss Galizia coached Cathedral High School's varsity basketball team for two years and later coached basketball at Brooklyn Friends' School, a prestigious private school located in Brooklyn Heights. She is also coaching Bishop Ford's girls' varsity and j.v. basketball teams this year.

In her spare time, Miss Galizia plays in the majors of her parish basketball team, along with other parishioners, ages 18 and up. She also frequents Central Park and downtown Manhattan, and enjoys travelling outside the city on weekends.

So far, Miss Galizia seems to be having a lot of fun working here. When she was asked what she thought of Ford and its students, she said that she was enjoying herself and that she found the students rather nice. However, she did request that a **Highpoint** reporter ask her the same question in another month.

What are the students' feelings towards Miss Galizia? Judging from their responses, they seem to like her as much as she likes them:

"Miss Galizia is someone we can identify with . . . talk to . . . She's really cool," says **Kerri Barbour** (301). "I'm really looking forward to being in her gym class," comments **Beth McGovern** (308).

"I don't really know her all that well," says **Maria Dabreo** (303), "But she seems pretty nice . . ."

"Miss Galizia is friendly—she's competent, and she seems to get along well with the students," observes **Richela Fabian** (304).

All newcomers are concerned with giving others a good impression, and it looks as though Miss Galizia has already succeeded.

The National Business Honor Society will sponsor a canned food drive for the needy families of our community beginning on **Monday, November 2** and extending through **Tuesday, November 24**. There will be a deposit box in the main lobby.

## Judge Robert Bork: A Word In His Behalf

by Clara Swords

This spring President Reagan nominated Robert Bork, a well known judge, for a seat on the Supreme Court. He was nominated because Reagan both trusted and agreed with Bork's conservative views. These views are what are now getting him so much attention.

Every liberal group is coming out in opposition to him. As you know, Bork is now going through the confirmation hearings; many of us know the famous judges (senators) who are judging Bork. This cast includes Senator Ted Kennedy. Back in the 60's he was a popular man in Chappaquiddic.

Another cast member is Senator Joseph Biden. Recently he resigned his campaign for the 1988 presidential election. It was uncanny how he copied his speeches. Biden also told the press that he had graduated at the top of his class in law school, when in truth he had graduated at the bottom.

Bork is a good man and should be confirmed. His views have changed since he was a younger man. Benjamin Franklin said that as a young man he had a host of beliefs and views that changed totally as he grew older and acquired more knowledge. Most people's views do change as they get older. There is no reason why these men, with their backgrounds, should stand in judgment of him and not let Bork become a judge on the Supreme Court.

## Senior Leaders Assist Freshmen In Adjusting To High School

by Karin Bentsen

Starting this year at Bishop Ford High School is Peer Group.

Peer Group consists of senior and freshman students who meet and talk among themselves, while the senior leaders listen and try to help the freshmen cope with anything troubling them. This description was given by Jimmy Montalvo, a leader, with the assistance of Paul Carusso, both seniors.

I asked Jimmy what made him want to get involved in Peer Group:

"It sounded interesting, and it's something new that I've never done before."

So you think a Peer Group would have been helpful to you when you were a freshman? How?

"I guess so—in the same way, it would have helped us with our problems. It would have helped us to open up to the seniors and everyone else around."

How does it feel to know that you can be making a difference in a person's first year at high school?

"Hopefully the freshmen will remember me as their Peer Group leader who meant something to them in terms of relieving some of their problems."

The Peer Group was organized last year when seniors (at the time, juniors) were asked to volunteer for next year.

The group meets once a week for one period, and there are about ten students to a group.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

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THE CHALK CIRCLE  
PLAYERS  
of  
BISHOP FORD HIGH  
SCHOOL  
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Neil Simon's  
BRIGHTON BEACH  
MEMOIRS  
on  
December 11 and 12  
in our auditorium  
Starring:  
David Ortiz  
Karen Fabricatore  
John Ryan  
Catherine Smith  
Courtney Nash  
Colleen Martin  
Lawrence Callahan

## Student Spotlight: Maria Carmona, President Of The Student Body

by Raquel Rodriguez

Maria Carmona, also known as "Hershey," is the Bishop Ford student body president. Her aim is to get things done. Simple as that. Feeling the school needed some changes, she thought that by getting elected, she would have the opportunity to make them. Throughout her term she plans to have dances and a talent show and in general please the students. With the help of Vice President Jobina Cardenas and the rest of her administration (Maria Carmona, Natalie Maldonado, Robert McDermott, Henry Diaz and Myra Lemore), she plans to make the school a better place. As the first female president, she knows she will have to live up to what is expected of her and do as good a job (if not better than) as her male predecessors.

The past presidents have always appeared to be very distant, seated in the privileged senior section of the cafeteria, isolated from the majority of the students. Wanting to be thought of differently, Maria urges people to come to her with their suggestions. Caring about the people is her first step towards being a good president, one worthy of her position.

## My Life As A Dog Is A Real Howl

by Jasmine Savio

"My Life As a Dog" is the award-winning film about a young boy growing up in Sweden. The movie shows you a two-year period in which the young boy, Ingvar, is making a fascinating comparison between himself and a dog. He experiences feelings of death, loneliness and rejection, as well as love and friendship.

The film is brilliantly directed by the world-renowned director, Lasse Hallstrom. Every aspect of the movie is precise, from its acting to its cinematography. It has the true air of a European film, and is worthy of all the excellent press it has received.

Hallstrom brings together humor and the different stages of man's sensuality. We first see the young boy, Ingvar, and his relationship to women; then we are brought to see his uncle and an elderly man's relationship to women.

The movie combines humor with the portrayal of innocence and curiosity so unbelievably, you will find yourself totally involved throughout the film.

The title is deceptive, making the film sound as if it is geared toward children. It is, however, for any age group to enjoy.

The performances by the young actors are the best I have ever seen. The film far surpasses any I have seen in a while.

The movie has no rating, and employs subtitles, since it is in Swedish.

Being a good president includes having an open mind and an open heart. Having been helpful to the students and benefiting them any way she can is part of the legacy she would like to leave us after her term is over, setting an example for future presidents.

And when asked how she would like to be thought of after she leaves, she commented she would like to hear people say, "Maria is a very compassionate person, one who gets along with everyone, and one who gets things done."

## The Ancient Art Of Tae-Kwan-Do Flourishes At Ford

by Shirley Collado

There are many different arts around us which are unique and original. Here at Ford we have a lot of different clubs for members of the student body. Most definitely, one of the most worthwhile clubs here at Ford is the Karate Club. The club is directed by Linda Lutes and Nelson Howe, who are both fourth-degree black belts. They are assisted by Erik Szillus and a member of Ford's own faculty, Mr. Danny Piselli. The club meets every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the cafeteria and every Saturday morning at 11:00 a.m. in the gym. Aside from these, you are given the opportunity to go to Nelson and Linda's own school on Seventh Street and Fifth Avenue. The fee for the Karate Club is twenty dollars per month.

At the present time the club has approximately thirteen members. Among these members are: Chris Barbour, Steve Boyle, Mike Enders, Roberto Suriel, Lisa Martine, John Huicisak, Mike Mendonis, Danny Walsh, Shirley Collado, Isaias Valentin, and Luis Cruz. The club practices the art of Tae-Kwan-Do. This art basically enforces self-discipline, concentration, and self-defense. Karate is probably an art superior to any other art for the body, mind, self-discipline, and a sense of self-achievement. In Karate the body is exposed to a stren-

uous workout which consists of ten minutes of calisthenics, twenty minutes of stretching, and one hour of instruction.

If you are seriously considering joining Ford's Karate Club, here is an outline of what the Club mainly does and some other informative tips:

(a) Your size and weight have nothing to do with getting into the club.

(b) You cannot practice Karate without deep concentration.

(c) The members of the Karate Club demonstrate their skills, techniques, talents, and knowledge of the art in tournaments and competitions which consist of breaking, fighting, forms, and weapons.

(d) Once a year the Karate Club demonstrates their abilities at Ford on Awards Night.

(e) The belt colors are: white, yellow, green, purple, brown and black.

(f) Promotions are given in belt color every three months, depending on the number of classes attended and your development.

(g) Finally, you must always keep in mind that Karate is an art.

This is the perfect opportunity for boys and girls to learn professionally a healthful, useful, rare, and disciplined art. Learning an art such as Karate will prepare you for a finer life full of awareness.

### WORD JUMBLE

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Use the letters that have asterisks above them to form two new words below, which form a commonly heard slogan here at Ford these days:

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Watch for the answers in our Christmas issue of HIGHPOINT.

## Take Off With The Air Force

by Sonia Perez

If you have ever asked yourself, "What can the Air Force offer me?" the answer to your question could be right here. First of all, high school students interested in joining the Air Force should take the SAT or ACT tests as early as possible, since applications must be in by December 1. Also, the ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Course) program can help you receive a four-year scholarship. You will receive college credit for your basic and technical training toward your associate's degree in applied science from the Community College of the Air Force.

The Air Force will pay 75% of your college tuition, and with the G.I. bill you will receive an additional \$10,800 toward tuition for college. Training is available in over 140 different entry-level jobs.

For those of you who are active in sports, there are recreational facilities including gymnasiums (basketball, weight room, sauna, racquetball), tennis courts, swimming pools, theaters, bowling lanes, and clubs. You also get 30-days vacation with pay per year, living quarters, and food allowances, and travel and promotion opportunities are available.

When asked about the Air Force, staff Sgt. Arazoza said, "I encourage everyone to stay in high school and graduate because, contrary to popular belief, we only accept high school or college students." Also, staff Sgt. Johnson said, "I like the camaraderie of the people working together in the Air Force; you're always meeting interesting people."

As you can see, you can have an exciting future after high school, a future in the Air Force.

## L'Amour: Comme Ca

by Kate Smith

L'Amour shook with the circle of moshers as Carnivore, one of the best trash bands playing the club circuit now, launched into their first deafening number. As they continued to roar through the rest of their incredible set, the guitar riffs only got better and the crowd only grew louder and more responsive. The speakers pulsed and the amplifiers seemed to smoke as the red and black Carnivore flag waved behind the thundering drum set.

After Celtic Frost suddenly cancelled their September 26th show at L'Amour, having been detained by customs in Europe, many fans were extremely disappointed. Carnivore's addition to the September 26th bill at L'Amour more than compensated for everyone's disappointment. The club was packed and the show was definitely one to remember.

Congratulations to the following students who were honored for their scholastic achievements at a ceremony here at Ford on Wednesday evening, October 21.

### 1986 - 1987 ACADEMIC AWARDS

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#### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Callahan, Lawrence, J.  
Cardenas, Vilma E.  
Gaglio, Peter

Gonzalez, Adrian  
Lesko, Adrian E.  
Lesko, Debra E.

Maldonado, Michelle  
McGinnis, Lisa  
Romnios, Athanasios

#### FIRST HONORS

Andrews, Michael  
Byfield, Natalie T.  
Carlisle, Dawn M.  
Castillo, Victor  
Chin, Joyce  
Conti, Rosetta  
Coughlan, James  
Courtright, Dawn M.  
Delatour, Claudine  
Exume, Myriam  
Ferraro, Lucy  
Fitzpatrick, Helen

Fontenelle, Renee A.  
Garcia, Eileen  
Georgopoulos, Spyros  
Giorgio, Joan  
Gomez, Lillian  
Gonzalez, Jason  
Jones, Patrice  
Loccisano, Joseph  
Mastromarino, Melissa  
Melendez, Orlando  
McDonald, Kenneth  
McGee, Elizabeth

Morrison, Kira P.  
Myrie, Kwame  
Paul, Sabine  
Piccirillo, John  
Pisciotto, Stephanie  
Rodriguez, Raquel  
Ruggieri, Francesca  
Sanon, Julie  
Scuff, Michael A.  
Scudero, Anna M.  
Scudero, Theresa  
Shashaty, Thomas

#### SECOND HONORS

Alvarez, Barbara  
Augustine, Lori  
Awad, Huda  
Barrera, Sophia T.  
Barbour, Kerri  
Baptiste, Nicole  
Basilie, Karen  
Basso, Sabino L.  
Beharry, Richard  
Belcastro, Janine  
Belleus, Joseph A.  
Bernard, Jude  
Blanchi, Joseph  
Bichotte, Daphne  
Bodziony, Alicia  
Carcel, Mariam  
Carrión, Carlos  
Celeste, Maria  
Chapman, Kevin  
Church, Erika  
Cicco, Tonina  
Collado, Shirley  
Cox, Charles  
Cruz, Luis D.  
Darling, Jill

DiPalma, Rosemarie  
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## Track Coach Responds To Questions

by Dan Perrone

Mr. Vasquez is the track coach here at Ford. Here are some of the questions asked him and his answers regarding the cross-country track team.

Who are the people who are on the cross-country track team?

The top seven varsity runners are Peter Aquilone, Sean Rice, Stuart McLeod, Joey Pira, Clarence Melby, Adrain Gonzalez and Chris Munoz."

How do they train for cross-country running?

"They practice Monday through Friday afternoons until about 5 o'clock. They practice on Sundays, and two days a week they run four miles at 7:15 a.m."

How many meets do they participate in?

"Ten cross-country meets, fifteen indoor meets and twelve outdoor meets."

Which schools will likely be the toughest to beat in cross-country running this year?

"Xaverian, St. Anthony's, and Chaminade."

How did the cross-country team do last year?

"Well. But this year will be one of the best of all time."

Their team goals are to win the Brooklyn championship, become the top two champs in Brooklyn-Queens, and attempt to become the top five City Champs.

Bishop Ford High School will hold its annual Open House for eighth graders and their parents on Sunday, November 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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